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It is for these reasons that I spoke in opposition to the Burton amendment last night. I am glad that my colleague withdrew his amendment in light of the overwhelming opposition he faced.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CHARLES W. "CHIP" PICKERING

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 3, 1999

Mr. PICKERING. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall votes Nos. 360, 361, and 362, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would

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have voted "aye" on No. 360; "no" on No. 361; and "aye" on No. 362.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MAJOR R. OWENS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 3, 1999

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent on a matter of critical importance and missed the following rollcall votes:

On the amendment to H.R. 2606 by the gentleman from Colorado, Mr. TANCREDO, regarding the reduction of funding for inter-

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national organizations, specifically UNESCO, I would have voted "nay."

On the amendment to H.R. 2606 by the gentleman from Texas, Mr. PAUL, to prohibit the use of funds in the bill for international population control or family planning activities, I would have voted "nay."

On the amendment to H.R. 2606 also by the gentleman from Texas, Mr. PAUL, to prohibit the export-import bank, the overseas private investment corporation or the trade and development agency from entering into new obligations, I would have voted "nay."

Finally, Mr. Speaker on final passage of H.R. 2606, the foreign operations appropriations, I would have voted "yea."